

In Our Prayers...

**Requester's name is in parentheses*

Lyle Provost (Kim Provost) – Kim Provost's brother, Lyle Provost, was to have surgery last Monday for a brain tumor.

Ongoing Health Concerns — Vashara; Ryan Patrick; Ken Williard's daughter-in-law; Yolanda & Judy Woody; Cailin Porter; Bobby Arnett; Miriam Rodriguez; David Frederick; Rick Hales; Bill Harrell; Joe Shattuck; Josh Martin; Karen Crowson; Terry Wells.

Brad & Sarah McGlothlin (Nathan Wheeler) – Brad and Sarah, of Oklahoma City, plan to begin studies at Bear Valley this fall.

Door for the Word – Pray for relationships with the lost that lead to opportunities to talk about Jesus.

Announcements

Meeting Minutes The minutes from the recent men's business meeting are posted on the foyer bulletin board.

Silverton Singing The Silverton Church of Christ is hosting the August 5th Sunday singing on Sunday, August 30th at 4:00 pm. More details to follow soon.

September Cookout Kenny & Debbie Sutherlin are hosting a cookout fellowship at their Vallecito house. Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 19th, beginning at noon.

The church of Christ in Durango

2100 West 3rd / P.O. Box 633, Durango, CO 81302
www.churchofchristdurango.org | (970) 247-0865

Service Times

Bible Study
Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Worship
Sunday 10:20 a.m.



The Durango Disciple

August 2, 2026

Vol. 9, Issue 31

The Rich Fool

By Randall Evans

In Luke 12.13-21 we find the parable of the rich fool. We often notice that this man was called a fool, but why?

He thought about the gifts, but not about the Giver. God is the giver of every blessing (James 1.17), yet this man gave credit to himself. And not God. The man had an I problem. He said “I” will do this, and “I” will do that. He was focused on his material wealth, to the exclusion of the Giver of those gifts. Today we are rich in this nation. We must never forget that the blessings we have are from God. Whatever talents we have to earn money are given from God as well. Without Him we would be nothing.

He thought about himself and forgot about his neighbor. The rich fool was making plans for all his wealth. He was going to tear down his barns and build bigger ones. He was storing up money all for himself. There is no mention of his planning to help anyone else. John writes, “If anyone has this world’s goods and sees his brother in need but shuts off his compassion from him—how can God’s love reside in him” (1 John 3.17).

Continued Inside



Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 8

The Rich Fool

Continued from Front Page

He thought about his body and forgot about his soul. The rich fool had great plans to nourish himself physically. He was going to eat, drink, and be merry, but what about his spiritual condition? It seems he had no concern for spiritual things. Physical bodies will decay and wax old, but the soul is eternal. As John says, “Do not love the world or the things that belong to the world . . . [because] the world with its lust is passing away, but the one who does God’s will remains forever” (1 John 2.15, 17).

He thought about life and forgot about death. The rich fool was not concerned about death. How could he have been? He was too busy making plans for all he was going to do with his money. It seems that he thought he was going to live forever. But the sobering words of God rang in this man’s ears: “You fool! This very night your life is demanded of you. And the things you have prepared—whose will they be?”



The Way of the Cross Leads Home

The Good Confession

Luke 9:18-27

Four _____ that define “Jesus is the Christ of God.”
Suffering Rejection Execution Resurrection

1. “_____ with Christ” (v. 23)

2. “Through Many _____” (v. 24)

3. “Whatever Gain I had, I counted as _____ for the sake of Christ” (v. 25)

4. “We Will All Stand Before the _____ of Christ” (vv. 26-27)

Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

August 3	Mon	Psalms 141 – Proverbs 1
August 4	Tue	Proverbs 2 – 5
August 5	Wed	Proverbs 6 – 9
August 6	Thur	Proverbs 10 – 13
August 7	Fri	Proverbs 14 – 17